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### NEW DIRECTOR OF FOOD PROTECTION AND CONSUMER SAFETY PROGRAM



Angela Kohls has accepted the position of Director of the Food Protection and Consumer Safety Program, effective Dec.



5. Kohls earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Kansas State University (KSU) in 1987. Her professional career began in Sept. 1995 as a food service inspector for the Junction City/Geary County Health Department. In 1999, Angela became a Food, Drug and Lodging Surveyor with KDHE. She accepted the position as District Manager in 2001 and then accepted the position of Contract Unit Manager in July 2002. Angela brings many strengths to her new position. She has over five years of management experience and over 10 years of retail food regulatory and technical experience. Kohls is also credentialed as a certified Food Safety Professional through National Environmental Health Association (NEHA).

### DEBBY SULLIVAN TO RETIRE FROM JOHNSON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Debby Sullivan will retire after serving 38 years at the Johnson County Health Department on Jan. 27. The past 28 years Sullivan served as Health Director. Debby attended St. Mary's Nursing School in Huntington, W. VA., under the Cadet Nurse Program in 1945 and graduated in 1949. Sullivan has worked in hospitals, private medical service, college health, industrial and community health during her 55-year She has held positions as director, supervisor and health professional career. manager. Debby's humble beginnings started in a small coal mining community in Amherstdale, W. Va., where she was born the oldest of four children to a coal miner father in a boarding house.

Debby moved to Shawnee, KS in 1966. In 1967, when Sullivan started at the Johnson County Health Department there were only 15 employees and one Health Officer (Dr. B. Hodges). The health department was located on the ground floor of the courthouse (which was a three story building). Debby was a staff nurse her first 10



years at the health department. Debby is extremely dedicated to Johnson County and the health department and will continue to display her passion for public health.

Sullivan has been married to John O. Hardin since 1989. Debby has three children, five grandchildren and one great grandchild. When she retires there will be a lot of gardening to do, music to practice on: the upright bass, autoharp, piano and fiddle; and some reading and dancing. Debby participates in many professional and community organizations including:

American Public Health Association - Member

Kansas Public Health Association - Past President

American Nurses Association - Member

Kansas Nursing Association - Member

Rotary International - Past Vice President, President-Elect, President

Toastmasters - Membership Chair

Sigma Thata Tea - Past President

Health Partnership - Past Board Member, Advisory Board

American Heart Association - Past Board Member

Zonta International

Missouri Clogging Council

**Texas Clogging Council** 

**Arkansas Country Dance Society** 

Shawnee Garden Club

Debby's advice to all her co-workers and friends in public health is to "stay busy, stay positive, and be good to each other."

# PUBLIC HEALTH CERTIFICATE PROGRAM GRADUATES CLASS OF 2005

The Public Health Certificate Program Class of 2005 graduated 37 students on Dec. 14. The year long, twoday a month, Public Health Certificate class provides orientation to local health department and state health office staff and community partners. These sessions provide an overview of the Core Public Health Functions and Essential Services, Public Health Performance Standards and describes the organization and implementation of public health programs at the national, state and local levels.

### REGIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH MEETINGS

Central Region: Meetings are held at the Reno County Health Department 209 W 2<sup>nd</sup>, Hutchinson, from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. Please contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639 if you have any guestions. Dates are:

Jan. 25

Mar. 22

May 24

July 26

Sept. 27

Nov. 21

North Central Region: Please contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639 for location of each meeting. Dates are.

Feb. 28

Apr. 25

June 27

Aug. 22

Oct. 24

Dec. 5

Northeast Region: Meetings are held at the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson, Flint Hills Conference Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Topeka, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Please contact Anita Hodge at 785-368-8110 if you have any questions. Dates are:

Mar. 9

June 8

Sept. 14

Dec. 14

Northwest Region: Meetings are held from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the NW Educational Service Center, Oakley. RSVP Georgette Schoenfeld, RN, at Logan County Health Department for lunch count at 785-672-4502. Please contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639 if you have any questions. Dates are:

Feb. 9

Apr. 13

June 8

Aug. 10

Dec. 7

Southeast Region: Meetings are held from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Southeast District Office, 1500 West 7<sup>th</sup>, Meadowlark Room, Chanute. Please contact Jon Anderson at 620-431-2390 if you have any guestions. Dates

Feb. 2

May 11

Aug. 3

Nov. 9

Southwest Region: Meetings are held from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Finney County Administration Building, 311 N 9<sup>th</sup>, Garden City. Please contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639 if you have any questions. Dates are: Jan. 20 Mar. 17 May 19 July 14 Sept. 15 Nov. 17

### NORTHEAST KANSAS COUNTIES RECEIVE A MAJOR GRANT AWARD



A remarkable show of collaboration from health departments in Jackson, Jefferson, Nemaha, Brown, Doniphan and Atchison counties led to a major grant award from the state of Kansas. The Northeast Kansas Multi-County Health Department will receive more than \$180,000 to expand tobacco use prevention efforts in Northeast Kansas.

"We currently have an effective, successful infrastructure operating in these counties, but the programs do not have funding to make the impact we need to make," says Grant Coordinator Michael Pruner. "This grant is going to allow us to build on the valuable programs we have in place and do so with comprehensive level funding, the level that the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends."

The Northeast Kansas Multi-County Health Department will be awarded \$184,645 in cash, plus more than \$300,000 in direct

assistance to support comprehensive tobacco prevention programs. These grant funds are awarded by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

These funds will go to programs that are working on four goals:

- Providing free assistance to Kansans who want to quit smoking.
- Making it harder for minors to purchase tobacco.
- Working to make the indoor air Kansans breathe safer.
- Concentrating on communities that are affected by tobacco use more so than others.

"We are thrilled to see the innovative collaboration from this group of counties," says Kansas Tobacco Use Prevention Program Director Julia Francisco. "These counties can now pool resources, staff, knowledge and current programs to reach their populations. The combined effort will undoubtedly be much more effective because each county can leverage the other's successes."

In the 2005 legislative session, the Kansas legislators allocated \$1 million for tobacco prevention efforts. These funds have been distributed in the form of grants to communities across the state that already have an existing infrastructure through their local health departments to work on tobacco use prevention issues. Many of these counties have other grants that promote healthy lifestyles and are busy working on programs that are within the CDC's guidelines and proven effective. With this allotment from the legislature, more funds are available to edify these effective programs so they are able to build on their successes and do so with comprehensive level funding.

The Kansas Departments of Health and Environment's Tobacco Use Prevention Program provides support for state and local coalitions and funds for the Tobacco Quitline program through grants from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the American Legacy Foundation. For more information on the Kansas Tobacco Use Prevention Program, <a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/tobacco">http://www.kdheks.gov/tobacco</a>

The toll-free Kansas Tobacco Quitline, 1-866-KAN-STOP is a useful and effective tool for tobacco users who are ready to quit. Kansas Tobacco Quitline, 1-866-KAN-STOP, is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.



Experienced cessation counselors work with the caller to prepare for a quit date and help them make a free personalized quit plan. The one-on-one telephone counseling sessions are scheduled at times convenient for the caller. Callers are encouraged to contact the Quitline as many times as possible to help them meet their goals.

For more information on quitting tobacco use, call 1-866-KAN-STOP.

### **GO TO THE SOURCE**

### Can my local health department benefit from having a community advisory board/council?

Yes! On pages 116-117 of the "Public Health Nursing Resource Guidebook" you will find "Formation of Local Health Department Advisory Council" located at <a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/olrh/download/PHNResourceGuidebook.pdf">http://www.kdheks.gov/olrh/download/PHNResourceGuidebook.pdf</a>

### Formation of Local Health Department Advisory Council

Among the regulatory requirements to meet the conditions of participation for home health agencies is to have an advisory council. However, health departments as a whole can benefit from such a structure.



The advisory council should be outside the legal framework of the agency and without decision-making power. It would serve in an advisory capacity to the local health department and board of health. Through this group, the community learns what the local health department has done, is doing, and is planning for the future to meet the public health needs of the community.

Regular meetings with a written agenda for this council should be planned. Meetings should be held at a frequency which is great enough to keep the council informed and seek their assistance—but not so often that there is no purpose to the meetings. Quarterly meeting may be a good beginning.

Membership should represent the geographic area served. Examples of membership might be:

- physician representing the local medical practicing physicians
- minister
- attorney
- nurse employed outside of the agency
- business/industry leader
- school representative
- local government representative
- homemaker
- consumer of service
- accountant
- board of health member representative

The council should have no fewer than nine and no greater than 25 members depending on the population of the area served. It would be wise to make an effort for all commission districts to be represented in the membership. Summarizing some of the functions of this council might be as follows:

- 1. Advise and recommend policy.
- 2. Suggest the expansion of the geographic area served or services provided.
- 3. Evaluate programs, services, adequacy of facilities, and staffing.
- 4. Act as liaison between the agency and public.
- 5. Create public understanding and support.
- 6. Initiate the development of volunteer services.
- 7. Maintain a display booth at community fairs and functions.
- 8. Monitor legislation affecting community health.





New items have been added to the Kansas Center for Public Health Preparedness Library. The library is designed to serve as a research, training and education resource for local agencies involved with preparedness and response issues.

Items newly available for checkout include:

- "In the Balance BioAttack" (DVD, 2005, one copy)
- "In the Balance City Under Siege" (DVD, 2005, one copy)
- Kansas Hospital Association Stat Report 2005 (booklet, two copies)

All items that are checked out should be returned to the library within 30 calendar days, unless special arrangements are made in advance. Clicking on the "Information" link on the PHIX home page and

then selecting "BT Library" directs people to more information about the Center for Public Health Preparedness Library.

Please contact Mike Heideman at (785) 296-4363 or <a href="mailto:mheidema@kdhe.state.ks.us">mheidema@kdhe.state.ks.us</a> if you would like to checkout an item or if you have questions about the library. Thank you.



### PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE SHORTAGE: PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES

The Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) and the Council of State Governments (CSG) recently completed a survey of state health officials in state public health agencies and found that the most significant worker shortages exits in public health nursing. The number of registered nurses employed in public/community health settings with the title "public health nurse"

has decreased from 39 percent in 1980 to just 17.6 percent in 2000. The supply of public health nurses is declining and employment trends indicate that the decrease will continue.

To read more about the declining supply of public health nurses go to: http://www.astho.org/pubs/NursesWorkforce.pdf

### SEDGWICK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FLU CLINIC

The Sedgwick County Health Department (SCHD) walk-in clinic for flu shots was a success. Highlights of the flu clinic were:

- Nearly 17,000 flu shots were given
- 4,633 flu shots were given before October 24 to high-risk clients
- 417 flu shots were given at a special drive-thru clinic
- 257 flu shots were given at a special Towne East flu shot clinic
- 40 mobile sites provided flu shots
- 79 special private clinics were scheduled for flu shots given at workplaces, schools, and churches.

SCHD Immunization Program Manager, J'Vonnah Maryman noted, "we focused on efficiency this year. We had two large flu clinics and 2-4 mobile clinics a day. A separate check-in was established for flu shot clients allowing them to be immediately processed, reducing their wait time."

"Efficient and effective delivery of vaccine was a team effort from clerical staff and nurses to billing and technology support and program management," said Sedgwick County Health Department director, Claudia Blackburn.

"We are pleased that so many residents took steps to help protect themselves and their loved ones from this year's flu," said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Dave Unruh. "Now, we can turn our attention to practicing healthy habits to stay well during the flu season."

With or without a flu shots, there are steps each of us can to do to stay healthy during flu season.



### Clean your hands

Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. Wash your hands with soap and warm water for 15 to 20 seconds. If soap and water aren't available, then use alcohol-based disposable hand wipes or gel sanitizers.

### Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.

### **Avoid close contact**

Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from

others to protect them from getting sick too.

### Cover your mouth and nose

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.

### Stay home when you are sick

If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.

### WIC BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR SERVICES NOW AVAILABLE



Nutrition and WIC Services, Bureau of Children, Youth, and Families is proud to announce the second graduating class of WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselors. Breastfeeding peer counselor services for WIC clients are now provided in 19 Kansas counties: Butler; Chase; Chautauqua; Crawford; Douglas; Elk; Finney; Greeley; Hamilton; Johnson; Lyon; Miami; Neosho; Reno; Shawnee; Sheridan; Wallace; Wichita; and Wyandotte. Peer Counselors enhance the continuity of WIC's current breastfeeding management and counseling efforts. Many expecting and new moms do not feel comfortable asking friends or family questions they may have, but are willing to talk to a peer counselor. Peer counselors are able to provide ongoing support and practical

suggestions for breastfeeding moms that are modeled on their own life experiences. Peer counselors must be current or previous WIC participants, have breastfed at least one infant for a minimum of four months, and be similar in age and ethnicity to the majority of WIC clients in a specific clinic. Studies show that peer counseling is a significant factor in improving breastfeeding initiation and duration among WIC populations.

### KANSAS GOVERNOR'S COLLABORATIVE



Harvey County Health Department, Rita Flickinger, administrator, is excited to announce they have been chosen as a pilot site for Governor Sebelius', Kansas Collaborative. Harvey County had their first meeting with Team Tech, the facilitators, on Dec. 8. In January several state secretaries will be in Harvey County to talk about what the expectations for collaboration will be.



### **KS-TRAIN TIP**

My Learning Record: (blue file folder, right hand side of the home page)

- "My Learning" lists any course that you are currently enrolled in whether online, live, and etc.
- "My Transcript" lists courses that you have completed. LIVE Kansas Courses are to be verified completed by the Course Provider. If you notice that a course in your Transcript has not been "verified" please contact the Course Provider by clicking the course title in My Learning, click the Contact tab and e-mail the Course Provider requesting that they verify completion of the course in your learning record.



**New Web-based Courses:** (Course Search, Browse My State Only, click the word title in the blue bar above the course titles, courses now in alpha order)

- Quarantine & Isolation, with Gail Hansen, DVM, State Epidemiologist, KDHE and Susan Kang, JD, Director of Policy, KDHE
- The Newest Immigrants, Low German Mennonites, Cyndi Treaster, Director of the Farmworker Program, KDHE. The course was video taped at the Minority Health Conference, April 2005. This course is approved for Healthy Start Visitor continuing education
- > Community Health Worker Diabetes Support Training, This is a three part training for community health workers or health promoters. The first part is Diabetes 101 presented by Shirley Dinkel, Ph.D.-c, APRN, BC. Part two is Diabetes Self-Management Goals presented by Denice Curtis, DDS, M.P.H. and April Davis, B.S., B.A. Part three is Food and Diabetes Resources presented by Cyndi Treaster, LSCSW. This course has been approved for Healthy Start Visitor continuing education.

### CONFERENCES/TRAININGS/WORKSHOPS



### Public Health In Kansas - Taking Steps Together

This year Public Health Nursing, Maternal & Child Health, and Kansas Public Health Association will be merging together to hold one conference "Public Health In Kansas - Taking Steps Together" on April 11-13 Wichita Hyatt Regency Hotel, 400 W Waterman St., Wichita. Remember to save the date for more information to come.

### Pre-Bidder's Workshop



An in-depth review of grant requirements, expectations, grant review process and evidence-based strategies will be presented at the "Pre-Bidder's Workshop on Jan. 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Rolling Hills Refuge in Salina. Cost is \$30 per person which includes lunch. For registration information contact your local

Outreach Coordinator at: http://www.kdheks.gov/tobacco/map\_of\_outreach\_coords.html

### Listening to Learn: Part I and Part II

# **Sound Beginnings**

The Kansas Speech Language Hearing Association (KSHA) regional conference will address the dramatic improvement in hearing technologies (including the

advent of the multi-channel cochlear implant) and the initiation of universal newborn hearing screenings, the interest in learning spoken language through audition and parental demand for this skill has dramatically increased. Therefore, additional education for professionals working with children with hearing loss is critical.

Children being identified with hearing loss at birth and soon after utilizing amplification and/or cochlear implant, the birth to three SLP/educator has assumed an increasingly significant role. Some of these children

have the potential to enter school with minimal special education services when they leave the Part C program, if they are receiving high quality services from trained and experienced professionals.

For those children entering a preschool or kindergarten program under the direction of the public schools after their third birthday, their needs in the classroom are quite different in comparison to as recently as five years ago. Professionals in private and public settings can embrace the new technology and utilize it to achieve positive outcomes that were never thought to be possible in the past.

The SLP/educator must have a thorough knowledge of hearing science, language and listening development, and a desire to work alongside families to assist them in achieving their goals. The success of the child depends greatly on the coordination of the SLP/teacher, family, audiologist, additional caregivers, and other allied health professionals.

This conference will be held on Jan. 12-13 at Wichita State University, Hubbard Hall, Room 218. Parking is available west of the hall, map of Wichita State University <a href="http://www.wichita.edu/online/map.asp#">http://www.wichita.edu/online/map.asp#</a>. Conference hotel is the Oldtown, 830 E First, Wichita, 877-265-3869 <a href="http://www.hotelatoldtown.com">http://www.hotelatoldtown.com</a> Make reservations by contacting hotel directly **by Dec. 21** to be eligible for KSHA room rates: \$97.00 queen; \$105 king; \$115 double + applicable taxes.

Cosponsored by: Saint Joseph Institute for the Deaf - Kansas City; Sound Beginnings - KDHE; USD 259,

Wichita Public Schools; Wichita State University; Rainbows United, Inc; and Via-Christi Regional Medical Center.

For additional information contact KSHA at 620-793-6550 and registration.

## St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf Giving Deaf Children A Voice





### Orientation to KAN Be Healthy

Registered Nurses, not previously Child Health Assessment Nurse Provider (CHANP) certified are invited to attend the KAN Be Healthy Health Screening Tuesday, Mar. 21 from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. (not required for ARNPs). Location is at Washburn University, Student Union, the Shawnee Room, 1700 SW College Blvd., Topeka, KS. Registration fee is \$50 and deadline is March 15.

The classroom style four hour training session will be a review of the orientation-training manual. No equipment demonstrations will be provided. Other Training options:

- Independent (home) self study
- Classroom Style
- Web-based

Following the training sessions and successful completion of the quiz, the registered nurse will be "approved" to provide KAN Be Healthy screenings. All training options are identical.

For more information call (785) 670-1399 or visit our Web-site for other training options at <a href="http://www.washburn.edu/ce/kbh/training">http://www.washburn.edu/ce/kbh/training</a>. The Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services develop this orientation. Coordinated by the Washburn University, Division of Continuing Education, Topeka, KS.

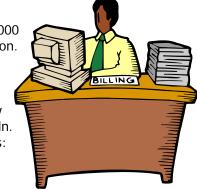
### **Billing Workshops**

**NE Billing Group**, next meeting is Feb. 2 at the Curtis State Office Building, 1000 SW Jackson, Flint Hills Conference Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Topeka, from 9 a.m. - noon. For more information contact Anita Hodge at 785-368-8110. Upcoming dates:

May 11 Aug. 3 Nov. 2

**Billing Biddies**, will meet Mar. 1 from 9 a.m. – noon, at the Lincoln County Emergency Services Building, on the corner of Hwy 14 and Lincoln Ave, Lincoln. For more information contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639. Upcoming dates:

June 7 Sept. 6 Dec. 6



**Billers Anonymous** will meet Feb. 8 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., at the Norton County Health Department, 801 N. Norton Ave, Norton. For more information contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639. Upcoming dates:

May 10 A

Aug. 9

Nov. 8

**Mission Impossible Group** will meet Feb. 23 from 9 a.m. – noon, Reno County Health Department, Hutchinson. For more information contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639. Upcoming dates:

May 25

Aug. 24

Nov. 21

**KUG**, from 9 a.m. – noon, Satanta Bank, Satanta. For more information contact Debbie Whitmer at 785-827-9639.

**Billers-R-Us** will meet Jan. 10 at the district office in Chanute, in the Meadowlark Room, from 9 a.m. - noon. For more information call Jon Anderson at 920-431-2390.

Apr. 11

July 11

Oct. 10

### **Cultural Competency Training**



Cultural competency training will provide participants an opportunity to learn how to effectively communicate with limited English-proficient clients, collaborate with families and coordinate services. The topics covered will include: Dimensions of Diversity, Working Effectively with Interpreters, and Building Culturally Competent Community Partnerships. Participants <u>do not</u> have to be bilingual to take this 16-hour training.

### **NE Kansas - Topeka**

Feb. 8 – 9

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Kansas Department of Health &

**Environment** 

Curtis State Office Building

1000 SW Jackson, Conference Room 530,

5<sup>th</sup> Floor

Topeka, KS

### SW Kansas – Garden City

Apr. 5 – 6

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Area SRS Building 1710 Palace Drive

Garden City, KS

### Central Kansas - Emporia

Apr. 12 – 13

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Newman Regional Health

Continuing Education, Classroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Enter from the Visitors Entrance

1201 West 12<sup>th</sup>

Emporia, KS

### SC Kansas - Wichita

May 10 – 11

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

University of Kansas School of Medicine -

Wichita

1010 N. Kansas, Sunflower Room 2202

Wichita, KS

### **NE Kansas – Holton**

May 24 – 25

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Head Start Building – Annie Laurie Johnson

Child & Family Development Center

130 S. Iowa

Holton, KS

(Parking at First Baptist Church 404 Juniper

Street)

### NC Kansas - Salina

June 13 –14

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Catholic Charities** 

425 W. Iron, Board Room

Salina, KS

For more information or to register please contact Cathy Anderson at JVS, 1608 Baltimore, Kansas City, MO 64108 or call 816-471-2808 ext. 124, or e-mail <u>canders@jvskc.org</u>.



### **Medical Interpreter Training**



Medical interpreter training is 40 hours of intensive, interactive learning for bilingual participants. The projected outcomes are to train qualified bilingual individuals in medical/social service interpreting and to provide educational training to medical and social service providers on their legal obligations to provide language assistance to limited or non-English speaking clients.

### Central Kansas - Emporia

Feb. 27- Mar. 3 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Newman Regional Health Continuing Education Classroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Enter from the Visitor's Entrance 1201 West 12<sup>th</sup> Emporia, KS

### SC Kansas - Wichita

Mar. 13-17 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. University of Kansas School of Medicine -Wichita 1010 N. Kansas Meadowlark Room 1305 Wichita, KS

### NE Kansas - Kansas City

Mar. 20-24 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. University of Kansas Medical Center (Room location to be announced)

### NC Kansas - Manhattan

June 5 – 9 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Riley County Health Department 2030 Tecumseh Road Manhattan, KS

For more information on Medical Interpreter Training or to register contact Cathy Anderson at JVS, 1608 Baltimore, Kansas City, MO 64108 or call 816-471-2808 ext. 124, or e-mail <a href="mailto:canders@jvskc.org">canders@jvskc.org</a>.

### **GENERAL WORKSHOPS**

The Kansas State Board of Nursing lists continuing education of interest to the public health workforce: <a href="http://www.ksbn.org/cne/cnemain.htm">http://www.ksbn.org/cne/cnemain.htm</a>



### **Kansas Division of Emergency Management:**

http://www.accesskansas.org/kdem/training



**KAN Be Healthy RN** orientation and training: http://www.washburn.edu/ce/kbh/training

### Public Health Training Network Satellite Downlinks/Webcasts



To view a complete list of satellite downlinks and webcasts go to PHTN Web site at

http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn/default.asp Call Linda Frazier, Distance Learning Coordinator at 785-625-5663 for assistance.

### **January Satellite Downlinks**

January 2006 ♠	
<b>01/25/06</b> 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	The National Terrorism Prepardness Institute Presents: "Live Response" A Live & Interactive WMD Program
	For more information, visit: or <u>Live Response 25 Jan 06</u> or contact Ed Kronholm at 877-820-0305 or email: <u>dlnets@aol.com.</u>

### Pandemic Flu Web Site

The official U.S. government Web site for information on pandemic flu and avian influenza: <a href="http://www.pandemicflu.gov/">http://www.pandemicflu.gov/</a>

### **Public Health Emergency Training**

The University of Minnesota "Public Health Emergency Training," is a series of awareness-level online modules covering various topics related to emergency preparedness, including:

Disease Surveillance and Investigation

Contact Investigation

Isolation and Quarantine

**Special Populations** 

Disaster Mental Health

Personal Protective Equipment (coming soon)

Decontamination (coming soon)

See the link to this course under "announcements" on KS-TRAIN at http://ks.train.org

**Terrorism and Other Public Health Emergencies: A Reference Guide for the Media.** Presented by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Sept 2005 <a href="http://www.hhs.gov/emergency/mediaguide/PDF/">http://www.hhs.gov/emergency/mediaguide/PDF/</a>

### AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS



Look for AHEC's web page at <a href="http://kuahec.kumc.edu">http://kuahec.kumc.edu</a> or trainings at <a href="http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us">http://www.kdhe.state.ks.us</a> under the "Additional PH Training Calendar"

NW Kansas – Register or call at 785-628-6128 SW Kansas – Register or call at 620-275-0259 SE Kansas – Register or call at 620-235-4040

### To Order Tapes/CDs:

Public Health Foundation Online Bookstore: http://bookstore.phf.org/cat20.htm

CDC BT programs: http://www.bt.cdc.gov/training/index.asp

Disaster Site Worker Outreach Training Program, OSHA <a href="http://www.osha.gov/fso/ote/training/disaster/disaster.html">http://www.osha.gov/fso/ote/training/disaster/disaster.html</a>

### **Risk Communication Courses:**

http://www.jhsph.edu/preparedness/training/online/riskcomm.html or in Spanish http://www.cepis.ops-oms.org/tutorial6/index.html

### **Nursing Education**

Ft. Hays Nursing: http://www.fhsu.edu/nursing

**KU Nursing**: KU has an online RN to BSN completion program:

http://www2.kumc.edu/son/vclassroom/rn\_to\_bsn.htm

Wichita State University: online RN to BSN:

http://webs.wichita.edu/?u=chp\_nurs&p=/rntobsnhomepage/

**Washburn PHN Certification Program**- <a href="http://www.washburn.edu/sonu">http://www.washburn.edu/sonu</a> or e-mail Dr. Janice Dunwell at: zzdnwl@washburn.edu

ANA's Web site: http://www.RNCE.org

### **Other Continuing Education Online**

The WALD CENTER: http://www.waldcenter.org

The Public Health Training Network: <a href="http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn/default.asp">http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtn/default.asp</a>

KDHE/KALHD Training Calendars: <a href="http://phtc.calendarhost.com/cgi-bin/calweb/calweb.cgi">http://phtc.calendarhost.com/cgi-bin/calweb/calweb.cgi</a>

**Training Finder:** Comprehensive database of distance learning course listings

http://www.train.org/DesktopShell.aspx

The MMWR Continuing Education Program: http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr

MPH Kansas: http://mph.kumc.edu

National Library of Medicine - <a href="http://www.nlm.nih.gov">http://www.nlm.nih.gov</a>

CDC BT Training – <a href="http://www.bt.cdc.gov/training/index.asp">http://www.bt.cdc.gov/training/index.asp</a>

The Illinois Public Health Preparedness Center: http://www.uic.edu/sph/prepare

**Heartland Center for Public Health Preparedness:** 

http://www.heartlandcenters.slu.edu/hc\_preparedness.htm

**Centers for Public Health Preparedness:** 

http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/owpp/CPHPLocations.asp

Public Health Training Centers: http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/publichealth/phtc.htm

Other Public Health Workforce Development Centers:

http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/owpp/resources.asp

### **Public Health Workforce Competencies**

Bioterrorism and Emergency Readiness Competencies for all Public Health Workers: <a href="http://www.nursing.hs.columbia.edu/institutes-centers/chphsr/btcomps.pdf">http://www.nursing.hs.columbia.edu/institutes-centers/chphsr/btcomps.pdf</a>

Competencies Feedback Project by the Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice: <a href="http://www.trainingfinder.org/competencies/index.htm">http://www.trainingfinder.org/competencies/index.htm</a>

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